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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS
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Claim 1 (currently amended)

1. An adhesive tape comprising a composite backing based on an oriented, coextruded, at least two-layer polypropylene film whose one side is provided with an adhesive layer composition wherein the cleavage strength of the composite backing is less than the bond strength of the adhesive.

Claim 2 (previously amended)

2. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of the backing is from 15 to 120  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 3 (previously amended)

3. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the edges of the polypropylene film have a serrated cut.

Claim 4 (currently amended)

4. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the polypropylene film is corona treated or flame treated in order to improve the adhesion of the adhesive layer composition to the polypropylene film.

Claim 5 (previously amended)

5. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein a primer layer is applied between the polypropylene film and the adhesive layer.

Claim 6 (currently amended)

6. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the side of the polypropylene film opposite the adhesive layer composition bears a coating.

Claim 7 (previously amended)

7. The adhesive tape according to claim 11, wherein the application rate of the release coating is from 0.1 to 3  $\text{g/m}^2$ .

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Claim 8 (currently amended)

8. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the adhesive composition is a solventborne adhesive layer composition based on styrene-isoprene-styrene copolymers.

Claim 9 (currently amended)

9. The adhesive tape according to claim 1, wherein the application rate of the adhesive layer composition is from 15 to 60 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

Claim 10 (previously amended)

10. A method for detecting unauthorized broaching of a package, which comprises sealing said package with the adhesive tape of Claim 1, wherein when the adhesive tape is removed from the surface of a package the adhesive tape is irreversibly destroyed and indicates an attempted broaching by tearing or splitting in the thickness direction.

Claim 11 (previously added)

11. The adhesive tape of Claim 6, wherein said coating is a release coating.

Claim 12 (previously added)

12. The adhesive tape of Claim 7, wherein said application rate is 0.2 to 1.5 ~~gm<sup>2</sup>~~ g/m<sup>2</sup>.

Claim 13 (previously added)

13. The adhesive tape of Claim 9, wherein said application rate is from 20 to 30 ~~gm<sup>2</sup>~~ g/m<sup>2</sup>.